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APPLICANT(S) Sasuta, et al.
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TITLE: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING SERVICES IN A COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

GROUP ART UNIT: 2664
EXAMINER: Duong, Frank

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper is in response to the restriction requirement in the Office Action mailed 05/20/02.

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed May 20, 2002, the Applicants hereby provisionally elects, with traverse, to prosecute group 1, claims 1-12 and 24-31.

Applicant, however, respectfully submits that at least (1) all claims present in groups I, II and III are properly presented in the same application; (2) undue diverse searching should not be required because to do a complete and comprehensive search of the broad inventive concept disclosed and claimed in this application; moreover, the examiner acknowledges that he will

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☐ Petition to Convert to a

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